

**641—80.8(135) Local public health services.**

**80.8(1) *Program purpose.*** The purpose of this program is to increase local public health capacity by implementing core public health functions and essential public health services to address health inequalities. Local public health services address health inequalities by advocating for population-based policies and services to improve the health of the whole population in an equal way.

**80.8(2) *Program services.*** Local public health services include:

- a.* Assisting local boards of health in providing services that address health problem priorities identified in each county's health improvement plan.
- b.* Advancing the goals of Healthy Iowans 2010.
- c.* Providing financial support for targeted areas of service relating to Iowa's elderly and disabled populations (i.e., home- and community-based services, protective services, nursing (disease and disability), nursing (health maintenance), home care aide (personal care), home care aide (home helper), home care aide (chore) or home care aide (homemaker)).

**80.8(3) *Appropriation to county board of health.*** The appropriation to each county board of health is determined by the following formula: 40 percent of the total allocation shall be divided so that an equal amount is available for use in each county in the state. The remaining 60 percent shall be allocated to each county according to the county's population based on the department's current published vital statistics.